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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Hart et al

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**For:** INSERTION PART FOR INSERTING  
INTO A GAS OR LIQUID LINE

**Group:** 3753

**Examiner:** Ramesh Krishnamurthy

**Our File:** SMB-PT158  
(PC 03 560 B US)  
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**REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §41.33(a)(1)**

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Sir:

This Reply is being timely filed in response to the final Office Action dated August 30, 2007 [Paper No. 20070827] and further to the December 18, 2007 Notice of Panel Decision From Pre-Appeal Brief Review [Paper No. 20071213].

Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: